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☒ 9 sheet(s) of drawings (☒ formal ☐ informal) is(are) enclosed.☒ 17 page(s) of specification and 1 page(s) of abstract of the invention are enclosed.☐ An assignment of the invention to SEIKO EPSON CORPORATION ☐ is enclosed ☒ will follow.☐ An associate power of attorney ☐ is enclosed ☐ will follow.☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.☐ Declaration and Power of Attorney ☐ is enclosed ☒ will follow.☐ A certified copy of Japanese Patent Application No. 2001-007913 filed January 16, 2001 from which priority is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 will follow.☒ IDS enclosed (☒ with 3 reference(s)).☐ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.☐ Application data sheet is enclosed. See 37 CFR 1.76.☒ Return postcard is enclosed.

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A TOTAL CLAIMS FEE	24	-20	4	LG=\$18 SM=\$9	\$18	72
B INDEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE*	3	-3	0	LG=\$84 SM=\$42	\$84	0
C SUBTOTAL - ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE (ADD FINAL COLUMN IN LINES A + B)						72
D MULTIPLE-DEPENDENT CLAIMS FEE					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$280 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$140	\$ 280
E BASIC FEE					LARGE ENTITY FEE = \$740 SMALL ENTITY FEE = \$370	\$ 740
F TOTAL FILING FEE (ADD TOTALS FOR LINES C, D, AND E)						\$ 1092
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